

West Union Village Council

July 14, 2020

West Union Village Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m., on 7-14-2020, at the Municipal Building, Mayor Jason Buda presiding. Call to order, pledge to the flag, and roll call: John R Lafferty – arrived at 7:09 p.m., Mark Brewer – present, Jason Francis – present, Ted Grooms – absent, Randy Brewer – present, Steve Rothwell - present; also in attendance: Tanya Johnson – Clerk, Shelley Gifford – Treasurer, Jerry Kirker – Village Administrator/Fire Chief, Tim Sanderson – Police Chief. Visitors: Danni Studebaker – WULS, Donna Young, Ashley McCarty – People’s Defender, Officer Jeff Bowling, Paul brown, Christeena Patrick – WULS/Water/Sewer Clerk, Nicole Hackworth – WULS, Katie Sheeley, Tyler Sheeley. Kent Bryan – CT Consultants.

Motion by Jason Francis to approve the Minutes of the regular Council meeting on 6-23-2020 with the correction on page 977 the executive session was call for personnel only and the minutes of the special meeting on 6-29-2020 as distributed, second by Steve Rothwell, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Motion by Steve Rothwell to approve payment of bills with payment of sales tax on one of the credit purchases, second by Mark Brewer, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Motion by Mark Brewer to accept the statement of receipt for Mayor’s Court for the month of June for the amount of: \$4142.16, second by Jason Francis, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Resolution 2020-13 Amend the Official Certificate – Crackle Subdivision Sanitary Sewer Project- Construction Phase 3, motion by Jason Francis, second by Steve Rothwell, roll call vote: all yea, resolution passed.

Christeena Patrick spoke to Council about all of the break-ins that are happening in the Village, Council agreed and they were working on this problem.

The Clerk told Council about the Care’s Act, the Solicitor will check into this matter.

Council member, Mark Brewer, informed Council he likes the new payment system at the Water/Sewer Department.

Council member, Jason Francis, showed the new logos for the web-site in color to Council and mentioned the Communication Policy, no action was taken.

Council member, Randy Brewer, asked about the Splash Park; the Village Administrator said the employees will be working on it tomorrow.

Mayor Buda informed there were two applications received for the position of police officer and discussed the selling of permits for door-to-door vendors in the Village.

The Mayor read the resignation letter from Council member, Ted Grooms, motion by Mark Brewer to accept the resignation letter, second by Steve Rothwell, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed. Lisa Rothwell, Solicitor, stated the letters of interest must be in the Clerk’s office by 2:00 p.m. on the 24th day of July for the Council member position.

Danni Studebaker, WULS, advised Council on the number of runs for the month and the year. Also, she informed Council the squad had an employment application.

Lisa Rothwell, Solicitor, discussed a few items with Council: paperwork for the Crackle Subdivision Sanitary Sewer Project, a public request for the Fire Department, and a few Mayors’ Court cases.

Council member, Mark Brewer asked the Solicitor about prisoners with warrants, the Solicitor will check into this matter.

Motion by Steve Rothwell for executive session ORC 121.22 G1 personnel, second by Jason Francis, roll call vote: all yea. Motion by Jason Francis to return to regular session, second by Mark Brewer, roll call vote: all yea.

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Motion by Mark Brewer to hire Ethan Scott for our Police Department starting Monday, July 20, 2020 the pay will be \$13.00 per hour; and Brittany Johnson as an Auxiliary Officer, second by Jason Francis, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Resolution 2020-12 Adams County Board of Elections with intentions to proceed to levy excess of the ten mill limitation, motion by Mark Brewer to rescind, second by Jason Francis, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Motion by Steve Rothwell to hire Clayton Fannin for the Life Squad, starting with the new pay period with basic pay, second by Jason Francis, rollcall vote: all yea, motion passed.

Motion by Steve Rothwell to give Cory Tolle and Tom Hackworth a raise in pay both will be making \$12.50 per hour, starting next pay period, second by Jason Francis, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Motion by Steve Rothwell to change Christy Hayslip title to Custodian/Laborer, second by Jason Francis, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Motion by Steve Rothwell to raise the Basic/EMT salary to \$90.00 per shift, second by Mark Brewer, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Motion by Steve Rothwell to raise Nicole Hackworth, Captain/Medic to \$175.00 per shift, starting next pay, second by Jason Francis, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Council member, Mark Brewer told Council there will be a Finance Committee meeting on Monday, July 27, 2020, at 7:00 p.m., here at the Municipal Building.

Mayor Jason Buda appointed Council member, Jason Francis, to the Finance Committee, motion by Steve Rothwell to accept the appointment, second by Mark Brewer, roll call vote: all yea, motion passed.

Motion by Jason Francis to adjourn, second by Steve Rothwell, roll call vote: all yea, meeting adjourned.